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	国際調査報告には、以下の文献が示	されてい	る。			
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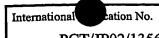
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7.	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
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1.	Statement					
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-4	YES		
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	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-4	YES		
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	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-4	YES		
		Claims		NO NO		

2. Citations and explanations

The following documents were cited in the international search report:

Document 1: JP 2001-31662 A

Document 2: JP 2001-270873 A

Document 3: JP 2001-270878 A

Documents 1-3 relate to methods for producing propylene oxide by oxidizing propylene with isopropylbenzene hydroperoxide, wherein the cumyl alcohol that is generated in the formation of the isopropylbenzene hydroperoxide is subjected to hydrogenolysis to obtain isopropylbenzene, which is then oxidized in order to reproduce isopropylbenzene hydroperoxide for use.

In addition, document 1 discloses the feature of using a copper-based catalyst as the catalyst that is used in the hydrogenolysis stage, and a feature wherein it is possible to provide an organic acid removal step to each step in the production process.

However, the feature wherein it is possible to obtain isopropylbenzene from cumyl alcohol with a high rate of inversion by configuring so that the cumyl alcohol supplied in the hydrogenolysis step has an organic acid concentration of 200ppm or less by weight, as is set forth

in the methods set forth in claims 1-4, is not disclosed in any of the documents cited in the international search report, and is not obvious in the light of the disclosures of these documents.

Therefore, the invention set forth in claims 1-4 is novel and involves an inventive step under the provisions of PCT Article 33 (2) and (3).